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Sir:

Your petitioner, BP Chemcals Limited, a corporation having an office and place of business at Britannic House, 1 Finsbury Circus, London, England EC2M 7BA, the undersigned being the attorney of record, represents that it is the assignee as evidenced by the assignment recorded at Reel 9683, Frame 0525 on December 18, 1998, of all right, title and interest in and to application Serial No. 10/785,190, filled on February 25, 2004 for ESTER SYNTHESIS. Your petitioner hereby disclaims the terminal part of any patent granted on the above-identified application, which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer of U.S. patent 6,794,535, and hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the above-identified application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to such patent granted on the above-identified application shall be the same as the legal title to said U.S. patent 6,794,535, this agreement to run

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The evidentiary documents accompanying this document or referred to above have been reviewed by the undersigned and it is certified that to the best of the assignee's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee seeking to take action.

Respectfully submitted,

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